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SUBJ: ESTIMATE OF SOVIET GRAIN HARVEST

1. A Leningrad PROPAGANDIST SAID IN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9 PRESENTATION THAT SIZE OF THIS YEAR'S SOVIET GRAIN HARVEST WILL BE 170 MILLION TONS. CONTEXT OF REMARKS MADE IT APPEAR THAT THIS WAS POST-HARVEST FIGURE RATHER THAN JUST FORECAST.

2. PROPAGANDIST ALSO COMMENTED ON GRAIN PURCHASES. HE SAID "SOVIET GOVERNMENT HAS BOUGHT AND WILL BUY GRAIN FROM ABROAD--THIS IS ABSOLUTELY NO TRAGEDY AND PEOPLE OF SOVIET UNION WILL EAT AS WELL AS EVER." HE ELABORATED WITH EXPLANATION THAT SOVIET UNION WILL OBTAIN 6 MILLION TONS OF GRAIN FROM US ANNUALLY IN "HARD PURCHASES," AND, IN EXCHANGE, WOULD SELL OIL AND OIL PRODUCTS TO UNITED STATES.

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